

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Akio MISAKA : Customer No. 20277  
Serial No.: Unknown :  
Div. of: : Group Art Unit: 1756  
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For: A PATTERNING METHOD USING A PHOTOMASK

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commission for Patents  
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Prior to examination of the above application, please amend the above application as follows:

**Amendment To The Title**

Please replace the title with the following:

A PATTERNING METHOD USING A PHOTOMASK